







How to change: Mercedes Vito W638 rear shock absorbers – replacement guide



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(i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

MERCEDES-BENZ V-CLASS (638/2) V 200 CDI (638.294), MERCEDES-BENZ V-CLASS (638/2) V 220 CDI (638.294), MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Box (638) 112 CDI 2.2 (638.094), MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (638) 112 CDI 2.2 (638.194)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

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REPLACEMENT: SHOCK ABSORBERS – MERCEDES VITO W638. TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Copper grease
- Drive socket # 21
- Wheel impact socket #17

- Torque wrench
- Tap wrench
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

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Replacement: shock absorbers – Mercedes Vito W638. AUTODOC recommends:

- Both shock absorbers of the rear suspension should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right shock absorbers of the rear suspension.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: SHOCK ABSORBERS – MERCEDES VITO W638. USE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:

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Secure the wheels with chocks.

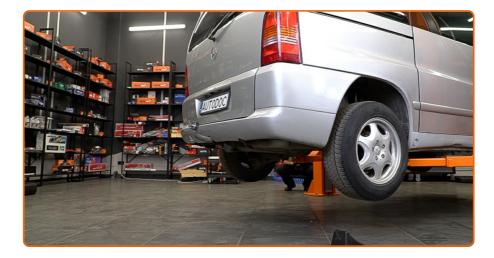
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Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.

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Raise the rear of the car and secure on supports.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.

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• To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when unscrewing the bolts.

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Remove the wheel.

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Support the rear suspension beam. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.

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Clean the shock absorber fasteners.

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Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

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Unscrew the lower fastener of the shock absorber. Use a drive socket #21. Use a crowbar. Use a tap wrench.

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Remove the fastening bolt.

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Detach the lower part of the shock absorber. Use a crowbar.

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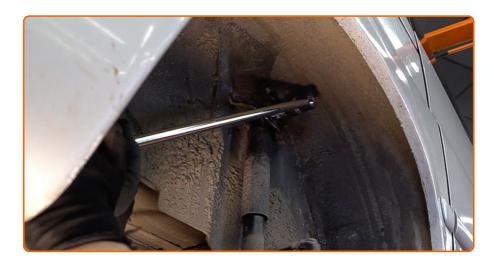


Lower the hydraulic transmission jack by 10-15 cm.

AUTODOC recommends:

 Replacement: shock absorbers – Mercedes Vito W638. Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

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Unscrew the upper fastener of the shock absorber. Use a drive socket #21. Use a tap wrench.

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AUTODOC recommends:

 Important! Hold the shock absorber while unscrewing the fastening bolts. Mercedes Vito W638

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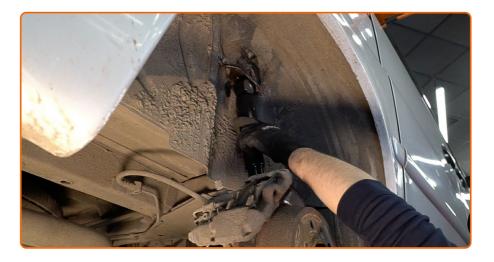
Remove the shock absorber.

Replacement: shock absorbers – Mercedes Vito W638. Tip:

• Before installing a new shock absorber you should pump it manually 3-5 times.

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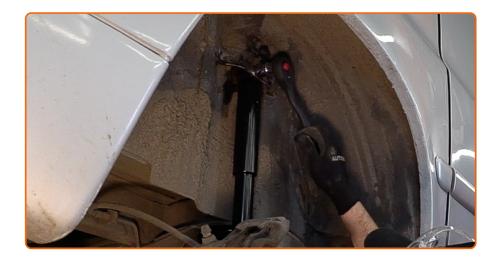


Place the shock absorber in the wheel arch and fasten it.

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 To avoid injury, hold the shock absorber cautiously tight when screwing in the fastening bolts.

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Screw the upper fastener of the shock absorber. Use a drive socket #21.

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Treat the shock absorber mounting seats. Use WD-40 spray.

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Attach the lower part of the shock absorber. Install the fastening bolt.

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Screw in the lower fastener of the shock absorber. Use a drive socket #21.

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Support the rear suspension beam. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.

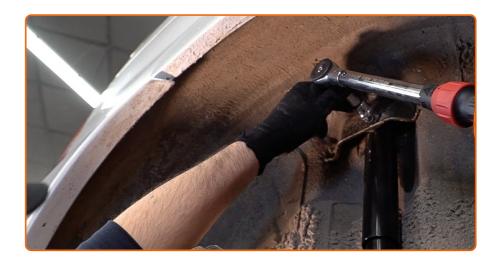
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Tighten the lower fastener of the shock absorber. Use a drive socket #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 80 Nm torque.

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Remove the mounting from under the rear axle beam.

AUTODOC recommends:

 Mercedes Vito W638 – Do not lower the transmission jack sharply to avoid damaging components and mechanisms of the car.

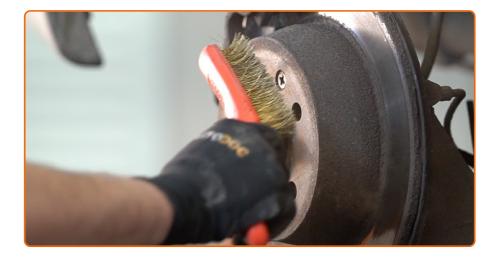
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Tighten the top shock absorber fastening. Use a drive socket #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 Nm torque.

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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.

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Install the wheel.

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 To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.

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Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 112 Nm torque.

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Remove the jacks and chocks.

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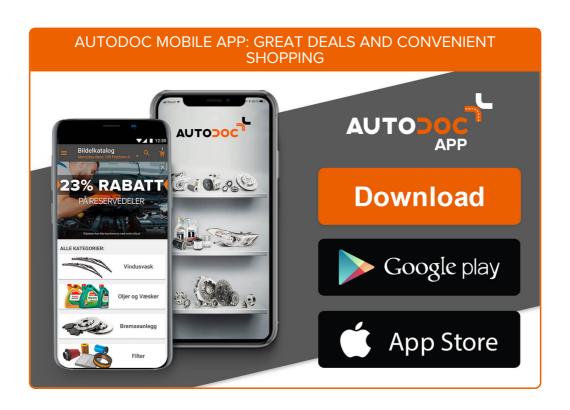


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